





5. If the Soviets are developing an ATBM or dual SAM-ATBM system it would have in addition to its ATBM role significant theoretical capability against US strategic ballistic missiles. This system would have greater capability than any of the possible SAM-upgrade systems previously considered by the intelligence community. We are in no position to determine the effect the testing of a Soviet ATBM would have on the design of new US reentry systems. Such a Soviet development would also complicate US monitoring of the ABM Treaty.

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